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WEDNESDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF MAY,

1853.

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# RESOLVE

*Recommending a Convention.*

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## State of Massachusetts Bay.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
June 15, 1779. }

WHEREAS, by the returns made into the Secretary's Office, from more than two-thirds of the Towns belonging to this State, agreeably to a Resolve of the General Court, of the 20th of February last, it appears, that a large majority of the inhabitants of such Towns as have made return as aforesaid, think it proper to have a new Constitution or form of Government, and are of opinion, that the same ought to be formed by a Convention of Delegates, who should be specially authorized to meet for this purpose :

*Therefore, Resolved,* That it be, and it hereby is recommended to the several inhabitants of the several Towns in this State to form a Convention, for the sole purpose of framing a new Constitution, consisting of such number of Delegates, from each Town throughout this State, as every different Town is entitled to send Representatives to the General Court, to meet at Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, on the first day of September next. And the Selectmen of the several Towns and Places within this State, empowered by the laws thereof to send members to the General Assembly, are hereby authorized and directed to call a meeting of their respective Towns, at least fourteen days before the meeting of said Convention, to elect one or more Delegates, to represent them in said Convention, at which meeting, for the election of such Delegate or Delegates, every Freeman, Inhabitant of such town who is twenty-one years of age, shall have a right to vote.

*Be it also Resolved,* That it be, and it hereby is recommended, to the Inhabitants of the several Towns in this State, to instruct their respective

Delegates, to cause a printed copy of the Form of a Constitution they may agree upon in Convention, to be transmitted to the Selectmen of each Town, and the Committee of each Plantation; and the said Selectmen and Committees are hereby empowered and directed to lay the same before their respective Towns and Plantations, at a regular meeting of the Male Inhabitants thereof, being free and twenty-one years of age, to be called for that purpose, in order to its being duly considered and approved or disapproved by said Towns and Plantations. And it is also recommended to the several Towns within this State, to instruct their respective Representatives to establish the said Form of a Constitution, as the Constitution and Form of Government of the State of Massachusetts Bay, if, upon a fair examination, it shall appear that it is approved of by at least two-thirds of those, who are free and twenty-one years of age, belonging to this State, and present in the several meetings.

Sent up for concurrence,

JOHN HANCOCK, *Speaker*.

IN COUNCIL, June 17, 1779.

Read and concurred,

JOHN AVERY, *Dep'y Sec'y*.

Consented to by a Major Part of the Council.

A true copy,

Attest, JOHN AVERY, *Dep'y Sec'y*.

*PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION, begun and held at Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, on the first day of September, A. D. 1779, in conformity to the preceding Resolve of the Great and General Court of the State of the Massachusetts Bay, passed the 17th of June last, for the sole purpose of framing a new Constitution of Government for said State.*

A. M. WEDNESDAY, 1st Sept. 1779.

A large number of Delegates being convened,

On a motion made and seconded,

*Voted*, That a President and Secretary be chosen by Ballot,



On a motion made and seconded,

*Voted*, That a Committee be chosen to receive and sort the votes.

*Voted*, That the Committee consist of three.

*Voted*, That NATHANIEL GORHAM, Esq.,

COL. DAWES, and

BRIG'R. BROOKS, be a Committee for this purpose.

On a motion made and seconded,

*Voted*, That the Convention first proceed to the choice of a Secretary.

The Committee aforesaid accordingly proceeded to receive and sort the votes.

The Committee having reported, it appeared that Samuel Barrett was chosen Secretary.

On a motion made and seconded,

*Voted*, That the Convention now proceed to the choice of a President.

The Committee aforesaid accordingly proceeded to receive and sort the votes.

The Committee having reported, it appeared that the Honorable JAMES BOWDOIN, Esq., was chosen President.

It was then moved, that the Person usually attending the Meeting House as Servitor or Door Keeper, be directed, and he was accordingly directed, to give his attendance, as Servitor and Door Keeper to the Convention.

On a motion,

*Voted*, That the several Delegates produce Certificates or other Credentials of their choice or appointment to represent the several Towns in this Convention, the same to be laid before the Convention.

On a motion made and seconded,

*Voted*, That the Hon'l WALTER SPOONER, and the Hon'l SAMUEL ADAMS, Esq., be a Committee to receive and declare the same.

Which being done, it appeared that the following gentlemen were duly returned to represent the several Towns and Plantations within this State, in this Convention, viz. :

# LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

## CONVENTION FOR FRAMING A CONSTITUTION OF GOVERNMENT,

September 1st, 1779.

### FOR THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK.

*Boston,* Hon. James Bowdoin, Esq.  
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Ebenezer Storer, Esq.  
Samuel Barrett, Esq.  
Increase Sumner, Esq.  
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*Dorchester,* Ed. Hutchinson Robbins,  
*Milton,* Samuel Henshaw, Esq.  
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*Dedham,* Doct. John Sprague,  
*Medfield,* Doct. James Jerould,  
*Wrentham,* Mr. Thomas Man,  
Mr. Lemuel Kollock,  
Major William Thomson.  
*Brookline,* Rev. Jedediah Adams,  
*Needham,* Mr. Royal Kollock,  
*Stoughton,* Rev. Daniel Stanford,  
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*Bellingham,* Joshua Clap, Esq.  
*Hull,* Capt. Jonathan Green,  
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Mr. Joseph Wood,  
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*Wenham,*  
*Manchester,*  
*Middleton,*  
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Mr. Miles Greenwood,  
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Capt. Stephen Dana,  
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*Watertown,* Samuel Fisk, Esq.  
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 Mr. Moses Wood,  
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*Billerica,* Rev. Henry Cummings,  
*Frammingham,* Hon. Josiah Stone, Esq.  
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*Chelmsford,* Col. Simeon Spaulding,  
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 Hon. James Sullivan, Esq.  
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 Mr. Amos Bradley,  
 John Reed, Esq.  
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*Charlton,* Jacob Davis, Esq.  
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*Sutton,* Capt. Samuel Lamb,  
 Mr. David Harwood,  
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 Mr. Willis Hall,  
 Rev. Ebenezer Chaplin,  
 Mr. Ebenezer Peirce,  
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 Col. William Henshaw,

*Spencer,* Mr. John Biscoe,  
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*Oakham,* Capt. Isaac Stone,  
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*Westborough,* Capt. Nathan Fisher,  
 Mr. Jonathan Livermore,  
*Northborough,* Mr. Daniel Hemmenway,  
*Shrewsbury,* Capt. George Kimball,  
*Lunenburg,* Capt. Thomas Cowdin,  
*Fitchburg,* Col. Seth Reed,  
*Uxbridge,* Mr. Benjamin Green,  
 Mr. Oliver Whitney,  
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*Dudley,* Mr. Ephraim Fairbanks,  
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*Upton,* Mr. Joshua Harding,  
*Sturbridge,* Capt. Abel Mason,  
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*Western,* Capt. Luke Drury,  
*Douglas,* Col. Ephraim Doolittle,  
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Shelburne,  
Conway,  
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Montague,  
Northfield,  
Brimfield,  
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Monson,  
Pelham,  
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Pepperellborough,  
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*Patridgefield,* Mr. Daniel Kinney,  
*Williamstown,* Capt. Stephen Davis,  
*New Marlboro',* Mr. Elisha Baker,  
*Lanesborough,* Capt. Zenas Wheeler,  
*Pittsfield,* Jabez Ward, Esq.  
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*Hancock,* Ephraim Fitch, Esq.  
*Richmond,* Capt. Ezekiel Herrick.  
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*Washington,* Mr. David Deming,  
*W. Stockbridge,* Mr. Elisha Carpenter,  
*Alford,* Mr. Hezekiah Green,  
*New Ashford,* Capt. Leicester Grosvenor,  
*Asheweelot,* Mr. Asa Douglass,  
*Plantation No. 7,* Mr. Cromstock Betts,  
*Adams,*  
*New Providence,* Mr. Peter Werdin,  
*Lee.*

THURSDAY, 28th Oct. 1779.

Several new Members appearing produced certificates of their appointment to sit and act in this Convention, which were respectively read and approved, and the gentlemen took their seats accordingly, viz.:

## FROM THE COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE.

*Brimfield,* Hon. T. Danielson, Esq.  
*Sunderland,* Mr. D. Montague,  
*Charlemont,* Major Whitmore,  
*New Salem,* Mr. Aaron Rice,  
*Buckland,* Capt. Jeremiah Ballard,  
 Mr. Thomas Maxwell.

## MIDDLESEX.

*Ashby,* Capt. Jonathan Lock,  
*Pepperell,* Col. Henry Woods,  
*Wilmington,* Capt. John Harnden,  
 Mr. Edward Kendall.

## SUFFOLK.

*Needham,* Col. William McIntosh.

## WORCESTER.

*Hubbardston,* Mr. John Woods,  
*Holden,* Mr. Richard Flag.

## BERKSHIRE.

*Adams,* Samuel Todd, Esq.

## PLYMOUTH.

*Kingston,* William Drew, Esq.

## ESSEX.

*Marblehead,* Hon. Azor Orne, Esq.  
 Thomas Gerry, Esq.  
 Joshua Orne, Esq.  
 Jonathan Gloyer, Esq.

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY.

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## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CALLING A CONVENTION OF DELEGATES  
OF THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING  
THE CONSTITUTION.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,* That the inhabitants of the several towns, Districts, and places within this Commonwealth, qualified to vote for Senators or Representatives in the General Court, shall assemble in regular town meetings, to be notified in the usual manner, on the third Monday of August next, and shall, in open town meeting, give in their votes, by ballot, on this question: "Is it expedient that Delegates should be chosen, to meet in Convention, for the purpose of revising, or altering the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth?" And the selectmen of the said towns and districts shall, in open town meeting, receive, sort, count and declare, and the clerks thereof shall, respectively, record the votes given for and against the measure; and exact returns thereof shall be made out, under the hands of a majority of the Selectmen, and of the clerk, who shall seal up and deliver the same to the Sheriff of the county, within one week from the time of meeting, to be by him transmitted to the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, on or before the second Monday in September next; or the selectmen may themselves transmit the same to said office, on or before the day last mentioned; and all returns not then made, shall be rejected in the counting. And the Governor and Council shall open and examine the returns made as aforesaid, and count the votes given on the said question; and the Governor shall by public proclamation, to be made on or before the third Monday in said month of September, make known the result, by declaring the number appearing in favor of choosing Delegates for the purpose aforesaid, and the number of votes appearing against the same: And if it shall appear that a majority of the votes given in, and returned as aforesaid, are in favor of choosing delegates as aforesaid, the same shall be deemed and taken to be the will of the people of the Commonwealth, that a Convention should meet accordingly; and in case of such majority, the Governor shall call upon the people to elect delegates, to meet in Convention, in the manner hereinafter provided.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That if it shall be declared by the said proclamation that the majority of votes as aforesaid is in favor of choosing delegates as abovementioned, the inhabitants of the several towns and districts within the Commonwealth, now entitled to send one or more representatives to the General Court, shall, on the third Monday in October next, assemble in town meeting, to be duly notified by warrant from the selectmen, and shall elect one or more dele-



gates, not exceeding the number of representatives to which such town is entitled, to meet delegates from other towns in Convention, for the purposes hereinafter expressed: And at such meeting of the inhabitants, every person entitled to vote for representatives in the General Court shall have a right to vote in the choice of delegates; and the selectmen shall preside at such elections; and shall, in open meeting, receive, sort, count, and declare the votes, and the clerk shall make a record thereof, fair copies of which, attested by the selectmen and clerk, shall be seasonably delivered to each person chosen a delegate as aforesaid. And all the laws now in force, regulating the duty and conduct of town officers, sheriffs, magistrates, and electors, in the elections of governor, lieutenant governor, counsellors, and senators, and representatives, shall, as far as applicable, apply and be in full force and operation as to all meetings holden, and elections and returns made under this act, or which, by this act, are required to be holden or made, and upon the like forfeitures and penalties.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the persons so elected delegates shall meet in Convention, in the State House in Boston, on the third Wednesday in November next; and they shall be the judges of the returns and election of their own members, and may adjourn from time to time, and one hundred of the persons elected shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and they shall proceed, as soon as may be, to organize themselves in Convention, by choosing a president, and such other officers as they may deem expedient, and by establishing proper rules of proceeding; and when organized, they may take into consideration the propriety and expediency of making any, and if any, what alterations or amendments in the present Constitution of Government of the Commonwealth; and such amendments, when made and adopted by the said Convention, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption, in such manner as the said Convention shall direct; and if ratified by the people in the manner directed by the said Convention, the Constitution shall be deemed and taken to be altered or amended accordingly; and if not so ratified, the present Constitution shall be and remain the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the said Convention shall establish the pay or compensation of its officers and members, and the expense of its session; and His Excellency, the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, is authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasurer therefor.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be and he hereby is directed, forthwith, after the passage thereof, to transmit printed copies of this Act to the selectmen of every town and district within the said Commonwealth; and whenever the Governor shall issue his proclamation, calling upon the people to elect delegates, to meet in Convention as aforesaid, the said Secretary shall also, immediately thereafter, transmit printed copies of said proclamation, attested by himself, to the selectmen of every town and district in said Commonwealth. [Approved by the Governor, June 16th, 1820.]

## CONVENTION OF DELEGATES

*Assembled at the State House, in Boston, November 15th, 1820, for the purpose of  
Revising the Constitution of Massachusetts, in pursuance of the law of June 16th.*

### LIST OF DELEGATES.

#### SUFFOLK.

*Boston*—His Honor William Phillips, Hon. William Gray, Isaac Parker, Charles Jackson, Thomas Dawcs, John Davis, William Prescott, Artemas Ward, James Prince, Esq., Rev. James Freeman, Hon. John Phillips, Josiah Quincy, Peter C. Brooks, John Welles, Israel Thorndike, Daniel Davis, Johnathan Hunewell, Rev. Thomas Baldwin, Thomas Melville, Esq., Hon. William Sullivan, Redford Webster, Esq., George Blake, Esq., Hon. Daniel Webster, John T. Apthorp, Esq., Benjamin Russell, Esq., Daniel Messinger, Esq., Warren Dutton, Esq., Joseph Coolidge, Esq., Mr. John Cotton, Lemuel Shaw, Esq., Joseph Tilden, Esq., Doct. John C. Warren, William Harris, Esq., Samuel Hubbard, Esq., Rev. Paul Dean, Mr. Eliphalet Williams, James T. Austin, Esq., Mr. William Sturgis, James Savage, Esq., Mr. Heenan Lincoln, Rev. Henry Ware, Nathan Hale, Esq., Mr. Samuel A. Welles, Mr. Lynde Walter, Mr. Geo. Bond.  
*Chelsea*—Rev. Joseph Tuckerman.

#### ESSEX.

*Amesbury*—John Morse, Esq., Enoch Bartlett.  
*Andover*—John Kneeland, Stephen Barker.  
*Beverly*—Rev. N. W. Williams, Deacon John Low, Hon. Nathan Dane,\* Hon Robert Rantoul.  
*Boxford*—Thomas Perley.  
*Bradford*—Deacon Daniel Stickney, Jesse Kimball, Jun., Esq.  
*Danvers*—Ebenezer Shillaber, Caleb Oakes, John Page, Ebenezer King.  
*Essex*—Jonathan Story.  
*Glooucester*—Col. William Pearce, John Kittredge, Esq., Capt. William W. Parrott, Nehemiah Knowlton, Col. William Beach, Capt. Elias Davidson.  
*Haverhill*—Jonathan Lamson.  
*Haverhill*—Hon. Bailey Bartlett, Col. Charles White, Moses Wingate, Esq.  
*Ipswich*—John Heard, Nathaniel Wade.  
*Lynn*—Joseph Fuller, Jonathan Batchelder, Enoch Mudge, Jun., John Lovejoy, Ezra Mudge.  
*Lynnfield*—Asa T. Newhall.  
*Manchester*—Col. David Colby.  
*Marblehead*—Nathan Hooper, Joshua Prentiss, Jun., Benjamin Knight, Nathan Martin, John H. Gregory.  
*Methuen*—Stephen Barker.  
*Middleton*—Rev. Ebenezer Hubbard.  
*Newbury*—Josiah Little, Esq., Richard Pike, Esq. Moses Little, Esq.  
*Newburyport*—Rev. John Andrews, Hon. Samuel S. Wilde, William Bartlett, William B. Bannister, James Prince, Dr. Nathan Noyes.  
*Rowley*—Parker Cleveland, Joshua Jewett.  
*Salem*—Hon. Benjamin Pickman, Joseph Story, Leverett Saltonstall, Gideon Barstow, Esq., David Cummings, Esq., Stephen White, Esq., John G. King, Michael Shepherd, John Derby, Jun.  
*Salisbury*—Samuel March, Benjamin Evans.  
*Saugus*—Jonathan Makepeace.  
*Topsfield*—Cyrus Cummings.  
*Wenham*—John Dodge.  
*West Newbury*—Thomas\*Hills.

#### MIDDLESEX.

*Acton*—Joseph Noyes, Esq.  
*Ashby*—John Locke.  
*Billerica*—Joseph Locke.  
*Bedford*—William Webber.

*Brighton*—Francis Winship.  
*Burlington*—None.  
*Cambridge*—Levi Farwell, Peter Tufts, Jun., Hon. Samuel P. P. Fay.  
*Carlisle*—Benjamin Barrett.  
*Charlestown*—Seth Knowles, William Austin, Thomas Harris, Leonard M. Parker, George Bartlett, Timothy Thompson, Jun.  
*Chelmsford*—Amos Whitney, Jonathan Pelham.  
*Concord*—Samuel Hoar, Jun., Esq., John Keyes, Esq.  
*Dracut*—Hon. Joseph B. Varnum.  
*Dunstable*—Benjamin Rice.  
*East Sudbury*—Jacob Reeves, Esq.  
*Frammingham*—John Trowbridge, Esq., Josiah Adams, Esq.  
*Groton*—Luther Lawrence, Esq., Hon. Samuel Dana.  
*Holliston*—Elihu Cutter, Esq.  
*Hopkinton*—Joseph Valentine, Esq., Nathan Phipps.  
*Lexington*—Nathan Chandler, Esq.  
*Lincoln*—Samuel Hoar, Esq.  
*Littleton*—Rev. Edmund Foster.  
*Malden*—Elder Ebenezer Nelson, Phineas Sprague.  
*Marlborough*—Joel Cranston.  
*Medford*—Nathaniel Hall, Abner Bartlett.  
*Natick*—Jonathan Bacon.  
*Newton*—Gen. Ebenezer Cheney, Joseph Jackson, Esq.  
*Pepperell*—John Walton, Abel Jewett.  
*Reading*—Daniel Flint, Timothy Wakefield.  
*Sherburne*—Calvin Sanger.  
*Shirley*—Nathaniel Holden, Esq.  
*South Reading*—William Nichols.  
*Stoneham*—None.  
*Stow and Boxborough*—Joseph Stone.  
*Sudbury*—William Hunt, Esq.  
*Tewksbury*—Jesse Trull.  
*Townsend*—Samuel Brooks, Esq.  
*Tyngsborough*—None.  
*Waltham*—John Clark, David Townsend.  
*Watertown*—Walter Hunnewell.  
*West Cambridge*—Hon. William Whittemore.  
*Westford*—John Abbott.  
*Weston*—Isaac Fiske, Esq.  
*Wilmington*—William Blanchard, Jun.  
*Woburn*—John Wade, Marshall Fowle.

#### WORCESTER.

*Ashburnham*—Silas Willard.  
*Athol*—Joseph Eastabrook.  
*Barre*—Nathaniel Jones, Nathaniel Houghton.  
*Berlin*—Amos Sawyer.  
*Bolton*—Nathaniel Longley.  
*Boylston*—Jonathan Bond.  
*Brookfield*—Simeon Draper, Seth Field.  
*Charlton*—John Spurr, Isaac Rider.  
*Dana*—Ephraim Whipple.  
*Douglas*—Welcome Whipple.  
*Dudley*—William Windsor.  
*Fitchburg*—John Shepley, Calvin Willard.  
*Gardner*—William Whitney.  
*Grafton*—Pardon Aldrich.  
*Hardwick*—Timothy Page, Joseph Stone.  
*Harvard*—Thomas Hersey, Rev. Abisha Samson.  
*Holden*—William Drury.  
*Hubbardston*—Ephraim Allen.  
*Lancaster*—Jacob Fisher, Davis Whitman.  
*Leicester*—Henry Sargent.

\* Did not attend.

*Leominster*—Bezaleel Lawrence, Joseph G. Kendall.  
*Lunenburg*—Josiah Stearns, Esq.  
*Mendon*—Hon. Jonathan Russell, Dr. Daniel Thurber.  
*Milford*—Esek Greene.  
*Milbury*—Aaron Pierce.  
*New Braintree*—Joseph Bowman.  
*Northborough*—James Keyes.  
*Northbridge*—Rev. John Crane.  
*North Brookfield*—Daniel Gilbert.  
*Oakham*—William Crawford, Jun.  
*Oxford*—Richard Olney.  
*Paxton*—Jonathan P. Grosvenor.  
*Petersham*—Hutchins Hapgood, Israel Houghton.  
*Phillipston*—John Doane.  
*Princeton*—Ward N. Boylston.  
*Royalston*—Rufus Bullock.  
*Rutland*—Zadock Gates.  
*Shrewsbury*—Nathan Pratt.  
*Southborough*—Rev. Jeroboam Parker.  
*Southbridge*—Nathan H. Harding.  
*Spencer*—James Draper, Jun.  
*Sterling*—Thomas H. Blood, John Robbins, Jun.  
*Sturbridge*—Rev. Zenas L. Leonard.  
*Sutton*—Hon. Jonas Sibley, Darius Russell.  
*Templeton*—Lovell Walker.  
*Upton*—Ezra Wood.  
*Uxbridge*—Hon. Bezaleel Taft, Samuel Reed.  
*Ward*—John Clark.  
*Westborough*—Nathan Fisher, Esq.  
*West Boylston*—Robert B. Thomas.  
*Weston*—Chester Powers.  
*Westminster*—Jonas Whitney, Edward Kendall.  
*Winchendon*—Samuel Prentiss.  
*Worcester*—Abraham Lincoln, Esq., Hon. Levi Lincoln, Edward D. Bangs, Esq.

HAMPSHIRE.

*Amherst*—Hon Ebenezer Mattoon, Israel Scott.  
*Belchertown*—Eliakim Phelps, Philo Dickinson.  
*Chesterfield*—Barnabas Billings.  
*Cummington*—Nehemiah Richards.  
*Easthampton*—Thaddeus Ciapp.  
*Goshen*—Timothy Lyman.  
*Granby*—Eli Dickinson.  
*Greenwich*—Laban Marcy.  
*Hadley*—Moses Porter, Samuel Porter.  
*Hatfield*—Oliver Smith.  
*Middlefield*—David Mack, Jun., Esq.  
*Northampton*—Hon. Joseph Lyman, Hon. Samuel Hinckley, Ebenezer Hunt, Jun.  
*Norwich*—Artemas Knight.  
*Pelham*—Rev. Winthrop Bailey.  
*Plainfield*—James Richards, Esq.  
*South Hadley*—Peter Allen.  
*Southampton*—Luther Edwards.  
*Ware*—William Bowdoin.  
*Westhampton*—Rev. Enoch Hale.  
*Williamsburg*—John Wells.  
*Worthington*—Hon. Ezra Starkweather.

HAMPDEN.

*Blandford*—Enos Boyse, Abner Gibbs.  
*Brimfield*—Israel F. Trask, John Wyles.  
*Chester*—Martin Phelps.  
*Granville*—Amos Foote.  
*Holland and South Brimfield*—Charles Gardner.  
*Longmeadow*—Calvin Burt.  
*Ludlow*—Alfred Flower.  
*Monson*—Ede Whitaker, Deodatus Dutton.  
*Montgomery*—Oren Parks.  
*Palmer*—Amos Hamilton.  
*Russell*—None.  
*Southwick*—Enos Foote, Joseph Forward.  
*Springfield*—Hon. George Bliss, Hon. Jonathan Dwight, Jun., Moses Chapin, Oliver B. Morris.  
*Tolland*—Henry Hamilton.  
*Westfield*—Hon. Samuel Fowler, Jedediah Taylor, Jesse Farnham.  
*West Springfield*—Luther Frink, Timothy Horton, James Kent.  
*Wilbraham*—Abel Bliss, Jun., Luther Stebbins.

FRANKLIN.

*Ashfield*—Henry Bassett, Levi Cook.  
*Bernardston*—Jonathan Allen.  
*Buckland*—Enos Pomeroy.  
*Charlemont*—Asahel Judd.  
*Colrairie*—Robert L. McLellan, George Eels.  
*Conway*—John Arms.

*Deerfield*—Hon. Ephraim Williams, Hon. Elihu Hoyt.  
*Gill*—Seth S. Howland.  
*Greenfield*—Elijah Ayvord.  
*Hawley*—Zenas Banks.  
*Heath*—Jesse Gaic.  
*Leverett*—Roswell Field.  
*Leyden*—Elisha Chapin.  
*Montague*—Rev. Aaron Gates.  
*New Salem*—Varney Pierce.  
*Northfield*—Rev. Thomas Mason.  
*Orange*—Josiah Cobb.  
*Rowe*—None.  
*Shelburne*—Benoni Pratt.  
*Shutesbury*—John Conkey, Jun.  
*Sunderland*—Nathaniel Smith.  
*Warwick*—Jonathan Blake, Jun.  
*Wendell*—Hon. Joshua Green.  
*Whately*—Thomas Saunderson.

BERKSHIRE.

*Adams*—John Waterman, James Mason.  
*Alford*—Elihu Lester, Esq.  
*Becket*—George Conant.  
*Cheshire*—Rev. Samuel Bloss.  
*Clarksburg*—None.  
*Dalton*—John Chamberlain.  
*Egremont*—James Baldwin, Esq.  
*Florida*—None.  
*Great Barrington*—Moses Hopkins.  
*Hancock*—Rodman Hazard.  
*Hinsdale*—Artemas Thompson.  
*Lanesborough*—William H. Tyler.  
*Lee*—James Whiton.  
*Lenox*—Caleb Hyde.  
*Mount Washington*—None.  
*New Ashford*—None.  
*New Marlboro'*—Gen. Ebenezer Hyde, Salmon Kasson.  
*Oris*—Col. Samuel Picket.  
*Peru*—Cyrus Stowell.  
*Pittsfield*—Nathan Willis, Henry H. Childs, Jonathan Y. Clark.  
*Richmond*—Zechariah Plerson.  
*Sandisfield*—Church Smith, Eliakim Hull.  
*Southfield*—None.  
*Savoy*—None.  
*Sheffield*—Stephen Dewey, Silas Kellogg.  
*Stockbridge*—Joseph Woodbridge.  
*Turingham*—John Garfield, Esq.  
*Washington*—Philip Eames.  
*West Stockbridge*—Col. Joseph B. Hill.  
*Williamstown*—Allanson Porter, Stephen Horsford.  
*Windsor*—Daniel Dana.

NORFOLK.

*Bellingham*—Benjamin Hall.  
*Braintree*—Rev. Richard S. Storrs.  
*Brookline*—Hon. Richard Sullivan.  
*Canton*—Jonathan Leonard.  
*Cohasset*—James C. Doane.  
*Dedham*—Hon. John Endicott, Hon. James Richardson, William Ellis, Esq.  
*Dorchester*—Hon. Perez Morton, Henry Gardner, Thomas Crehore.  
*Foxborough*—Seth Boyden, Esq.  
*Franklin*—Joseph Bacon, Eli Richardson, Jun.  
*Medfield and Dover*—Rev. Dr. Daniel C. Saunders.  
*Medway*—William Felt.  
*Milton*—Barney Smith, Jedediah Atherton.  
*Needham*—Aaron Smith.  
*Quincy*—Hon. John Adams, Thomas Greenleaf.  
*Randolph*—Thomas French.  
*Roxbury*—Henry A. S. Dearborn, Ebenezer Seaver, Abijah Draper, Sherman Leland.  
*Sharon*—Benjamin Reynolds, Esq.  
*Stoughton*—Samuel Talbot.  
*Walpole*—Jesse Boyden.  
*Weymouth*—Lemuel Humphrey, Noah Torrey.  
*Wrentham*—Samuel Day,\* Alien Tillinghast, Samuel Bugbee.

PLYMOUTH.

*Abington*—Nathan Gurney, Jared Whitman.  
*Bridgewater*—Daniel Howard, Daniel Mitchell, Howard Cary, Zeph Fobes.  
*Carver*—Benjamin Ellis.  
*Duxbury*—Rev. John Alleyne, Samuel A. Frazer.

\* Did not attend.



*Halifax*—Zedediah Thompson.  
*Hanover*—Robert Ellis.  
*Hanson*—Calvin Tilden.  
*Kingham*—Rev. Joseph Richardson, Jotham Lincoln, Jun., Thomas Fearing.  
*Hull*—None.  
*Kingston*—George B. Holmes.  
*Marshfield*—Rev. Martin Parris.  
*Middleborough*—Hon. Thomas Weston, John Tinkam, Samuel Pickens, Levi Pierce, Seth Miller, Jun.  
*Pembroke*—David Oldham, Jun.  
*Plympton*—None.  
*Plymouth*—Barnabas Hedge, John B. Thomas, Joseph Bartlett, Jun., Benjamin Bramhall, Nathaniel M. Davis.  
*Rochester*—Abraham Holmes, Gideon Barstow, Jun., Philip Crandon.  
*Scituate*—Hon. Charles Turner, Jesse Dunbar, John Collamore.  
*Wareham*—Benjamin Bourne, Esq.

## BRISTOL.

*Attleborough*—Jabez Newell, Abiathar Richard-son, Jun., Lemuel May.  
*Berkley*—Jabez Fox.  
*Dartmouth*—Hon. Holder Slocum, Elihu Slocum, Caleb Anthony.  
*Dighton*—William Wood.  
*Easton*—Shepherd Leach, Esq., Isaac Lathrop, Alden Spooner,\* Thomas Nye.\*  
*Fairhaven*—None.  
*Freetown*—Hon. Nathaniel Morton, Jun., Earl Sampson.  
*Mansfield*—Solomon Pratt.  
*New Bedford*—John A. Parker, James Howland, 2d.\* Seth Russell, Silas Kempton.  
*Norton*—George Walker, Seth Hodges.  
*Raynham*—Silas Hall.

*Rehoboth*—James Bliss, Jeremiah Wheeler, Samuel Bullock.  
*Seekonk*—Robert Daggett, Joseph Sisson, Jun.  
*Somerset*—David Gray.  
*Swansey*—Daniel Hale, John Mason.  
*Taunton*—Jonas Godfrey, James L. Hodges, Thos. Lincoln, Nathan Leonard, Robert Dean.  
*Troy*—William B. Cannedy.  
*Westport*—Abner B. Gifford, Tillinghast Almy, Nathan C. Brownell.  
*Wellington*—Thomas S. Bayles, Esq.

## BARNSTABLE.

*Barnstable*—Nymphas Marston, William Lewis, Noller Crocker.  
*Brewster*—Gen. Elijah Cobb.  
*Chatham*—Capt. Salathiel Nickerson, Capt. Joseph Young.  
*Dennis*—Oren Howe.  
*Eastham*—Samuel Freeman.  
*Falmouth*—Thomas Fisk, Braddock Dimmick.  
*Harwich*—None.  
*Orleans*—Daniel Cummings.  
*Provincetown*—None.  
*Sandwich*—Russell Freeman, Elisha Pope, Seth F. Nye.  
*Truro*—None.  
*Wellfleet*—Reuben Arey.  
*Yarmouth*—Elisha Doane, Hon. John Reed.

## DUKES.

*Chilmark*—None.  
*Edgartown*—Thomas Cook, Jun.  
*Tisbury*—Shubael Dunham.

## NANTUCKET.

*Nantucket*—Josiah Hussey, Hezekiah Barnard, Jethro Mitchell, Gideon Folger, William Mitchell, Barker Burnell.

\* Did not attend.

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO.

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## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CALLING A CONVENTION OF DELEGATES  
OF THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING THE  
CONSTITUTION.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :*

SECT. 1. The inhabitants of the several cities, towns, districts, and places within this Commonwealth, qualified to vote for senators or representatives in the General Court, shall, on the second Monday of November next, at the meetings to be then held in the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth, for the choice of governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives in the General Court, an article for this purpose being inserted in the warrants calling said meetings, give in their votes by ballot on this question: "Is it expedient that delegates should be chosen to meet in convention for the purpose of revising or altering the constitution of government of this Commonwealth?" And the vote upon said question shall be in open meeting, and the votes in the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth shall be received, sorted, counted, declared, and transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, in the same manner as the votes for governor, lieutenant-governor, and senators are now received, sorted, counted, declared and transmitted by the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth; and all returns not thus made shall be rejected in the counting. And the governor and council shall open and examine the returns, made as aforesaid, and count the votes given on the said question; and the governor shall, by public proclamation, to be made on or before the first Wednesday in January next, make known the result, by declaring the number appearing in favor of choosing delegates for the purpose aforesaid, and the number of votes appearing against the same; and if it shall appear that a majority of the votes given in and returned as aforesaid are in favor of choosing delegates as aforesaid, the same shall be deemed and taken to be the will of the people of the Commonwealth, that a convention should meet accordingly; and in case of such majority, the governor shall call upon the people to elect delegates to meet in convention, in the manner hereinafter provided.

SECT. 2. If it shall be declared by the said proclamation, that the majority of votes, as aforesaid, is in favor of choosing delegates, as above-mentioned, the inhabitants of the several cities and towns within the Commonwealth, now entitled any one year to send one or more representatives to the General Court, shall, on the first Monday of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three,

assemble in their several meetings, to be duly notified by warrant from the selectmen of the several towns and the mayor and aldermen of the several cities, and shall elect one or more delegates, not exceeding the number of representatives to which each town or city was entitled last year, it being the year in which the valuation of estates in the Commonwealth was settled, to meet delegates from other towns and cities in convention, for the purposes hereinafter expressed. And at such meetings of the inhabitants, every person entitled to vote for representatives in the General Court, shall have a right to vote in the choice of delegates, and the same officers, in the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth, shall preside at such elections, as now preside in the choice of representatives to the General Court; and the votes for said delegates shall be received, sorted, counted, declared, recorded, and copies thereof delivered to the delegates chosen, in the same manner as is now provided for in the case of representatives to the General Court. And all laws now in force, regulating the duty and conduct of town and city officers, sheriffs, magistrates, and electors, in the election of governor, lieutenant-governor, senators, and representatives, shall, as far as applicable, apply, and be in full force and operation, as to all meetings holden, and elections and returns made, under this act, or which by this act are required to be holden or made, and upon the like forfeitures and penalties.

SECT. 3. The persons so elected delegates shall meet in convention in the state house, in Boston, on the first Wednesday in May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three; and they shall be the judges of the returns and elections of their own members, and may adjourn from time to time; and one hundred of the persons elected shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and they shall proceed as soon as may be to organize themselves in convention, by choosing a president and such other officers as they may deem expedient, and by establishing proper rules of proceeding; and when organized, they may take into consideration the propriety and expediency of revising the present constitution of government of this Commonwealth, or the propriety and expediency of making any, and if any, what alterations or amendments, in the present constitution of government of this Commonwealth. And such alterations or amendments, when made and adopted by the said convention, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption, in such manner as the said convention shall direct; and if ratified by the people in the manner directed by the said convention, the constitution shall be deemed and taken to be altered or amended accordingly; and if not so ratified, the present constitution shall be and remain the constitution of government of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 4. The said convention shall establish the pay or compensation of its officers and members, and the expense of its session; and his excellency the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized to draw his warrant on the treasury therefor.

SECT. 5. The Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby directed forthwith, after the passage thereof, to transmit printed copies of this act to the selectmen of each town, and the mayor and aldermen of each city within the Commonwealth; and whenever the governor shall issue his proclamation, calling upon the people to elect delegates, to meet in convention as aforesaid, the said secretary shall also, immediately thereafter, transmit printed copies of said proclamation, attested by himself, to the selectmen of each town, and the mayor and aldermen of each city, in the Commonwealth. [*Approved, May 7, 1852.*]



# MEMBERS

## OF THE

# CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION,

### 1853.

NATHANIEL P. BANKS, PRESIDENT.

\* Members of the Convention of 1820.

Residence.	Names.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First yr. in Leg.
	SUFFOLK COUNTY.				
Boston,	William Appleton,	Nov. 16, 1786,	Brookfield,	Merchant,	
"	Francis Brinley,	Nov. 10, 1890,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1832
"	Sidney Bartlett,	Feb. 13, 1799,	Plymouth,	Lawyer,	1851
"	George W. Blagden,	Oct. 3, 1802,	Washington, DC.	Clergyman,	
"	Jacob Bigelow,	Feb. 27, 1787,	Sudbury,	Physician,	
"	James M. Beebe,	Mar. 18, 1809,	Pittsfield,	Merchant,	
"	Osmyn Brewster,	Aug. 2, 1797,	Worthington,	Printer,	1848
"	George W. Crockett,	Oct. 4, 1789,	Northwood, N.H.	Merchant,	1847
"	Rufus Choate,	Oct. 1, 1799,	Ipswich,	Lawyer,	1827
"	Charles Edward Cook,	Oct. 17, 1805,	Kingston,	Merchant,	1846
"	Fr's B. Crowninshield,	Apr. 23, 1809,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1846
"	William Dehon,	Feb. 2, 1814,	Boston,	Lawyer,	
"	William T. Eustis,	Oct. 25, 1794,	Rutland,	Merchant,	1834
"	A. G. Farwell,	Feb. 6, 1813,	Fitchburg,	Merchant,	
"	John C. Gray,	Dec. 26, 1793,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1828
"	Joel Giles,	May 6, 1804,	Townsend,	Lawyer,	1840
"	Henry J. Gardner,	June 14, 1819,	Dorchester,	Merchant,	1851
"	W. J. Hubbard,	July 3, 1802,	New York,	Lawyer,	1834
"	George S. Hillard,	Sept. 22, 1808,	Machias, Me.	Lawyer,	1836
"	Nathan Hale,*	Aug. 16, 1784,	Westhampton,	Editor,	1820
"	George Hayward,	Mar. 9, 1791,	Boston,	Physician,	1820
"	Thomas Hopkinson,	Aug. 25, 1804,	New Sharon, Me.	Lawyer,	1838
"	Samuel H. Jenks,	Sept. 20, 1789,	Boston,	Notary Public,	1835
"	George H. Kuhn,	Dec. 14, 1795,	Boston,	Merchant,	1846
"	Fred. W. Lincoln, Jr.	Feb. 27, 1817,	Boston,	Mat. Ins. Mak.	1847
"	Samuel K. Lothrop,	Oct. 13, 1804,	Utica, N. Y.	Clergyman,	
"	George Morey,	June 12, 1789,	Walpole,	Lawyer,	1829
"	Theophilus R. Marvin,	Feb. 23, 1796,	Norwich, Ct.	Printer,	1840
"	Samuel D. Parker,	Dec. 6, 1781,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1853
"	James W. Paige,	July 1, 1792,	Hopkinton, N.H.	Merchant,	
"	Jonathan Preston,	July 14, 1801,	Beverly,	Builder,	1845
"	James Read,	Nov. 19, 1789,	Cambridge,	Merchant,	
"	Sampson Reed,	June 10, 1800,	Bridgewater,	Druggist,	
"	William Schouler,	Dec. 31, 1814,	Scotland,	Editor,	1844
"	George R. Sampson,	May 3, 1811,	Boston,	Merchant,	
"	J. Thomas Stevenson,	Apr. 21, 1807,	Boston,	Merchant,	1839
"	John Souther,	Mar. 1, 1818,	Boston,	Machinist,	
"	John S. Tyler,	Sept. 29, 1796,	Guilford, Vt.	Insur. Broker,	1853
"	George B. Upton,	Oct. 11, 1804,	Eastport, Me.	Merchant,	1838
"	Thomas Wetmore,	Aug. 31, 1795,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1835
"	John H. Wilkins,	Dec. 10, 1794,	Amherst, N. H.	Merchant,	1850
Chelsea,	John Penniman,	Sept. 13, 1813,	Plymouth, N. H.	Builder,	
"	Augustus Denton,	July 10, 1812,	Boston,	Painter,	
Nor. Chelsea,	Henry F. Cooledge,	Oct. 22, 1802,	Hillsboro', N. H.	Farmer,	
Winthrop,					

Residence.	Names.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First yr. in Leg.
ESSEX COUNTY.					
Andover,	Marcus Morton, Jr.	Apr. 8, 1819,	Taunton,	Lawyer,	
"	John Johnson,	Apr. 12, 1796,	Andover,	Farmer,	
Amesbury,	Jonathan Nayson,	June 29, 1809,	Wcare, N. H.	Druggist,	1837
Beverly,	Robert Rantoul,*	Nov. 23, 1778,	Salem,	Druggist,	1809
"	Joseph E. Ober,	June 10, 1811,	Beverly,	Housewright,	1853
Boxford,	Moses Dorman,	Sept. 25, 1803,	Boxford,	Farmer,	1835
Bradford,	Nathaniel Peabody,	July 7, 1797,	Bradford,	Farmer,	1851
Danvers,	A. A. Abbott,	May 30, 1820,	Andover,	Lawyer,	1850
"	Milton P. Braman,	Aug. 6, 1799,	Rowley,	Clergyman,	
"	S. P. Fowler,	Apr. 22, 1800,	Danversport,	Tanner,	1839
Essex,	W. J. A. Bradford,	Nov. 19, 1797,	Wiscasset, Me.	Lawyer,	
Georgetown,	Joseph Kimball,	Feb. 21, 1798,	Boxford,	Housewright,	1838
Gloucester,	Joseph L. Stevens, Jr.	Oct. 31, 1822,	Castine, Me.	Merchant,	
"	Eben H. Stacy,	Mar. 14, 1814,	Gloucester,	Merchant,	
Groveland,	Gardner P. Ladd,	Oct. 23, 1814,	Bradford,	Shoe Cutter,	
Hamilton,	O. S. Cressy,	Feb. 8, 1804,	Bradford, N. H.	Physician,	
Haverhill,	Charles B. Hall,	June 28, 1815,	Orford, N. H.	Merchant,	1850
"	William H. Hewes,	Feb. 1, 1801,	N. Chester, N. H.	Manufacturer,	
Ipswich,	George Haskell,	Aug. 20, 1809,	Newburyport,	Lawyer,	1839
Lawrence,	H. K. Oliver,	Nov. 24, 1800,	Beverly,	Manufacturer,	
"	Thomas A. Parsons,	Mar. 19, 1822,	Gilmanton, N. H.	Lawyer,	
"	C. S. Storow,	Mar. 25, 1809,	Montreal,	Civil Engineer,	
Lynn,	John B. Alley,	June 17, 1817,	Lynn,	Merchant,	1851
"	Hiram N. Breed,	Sept. 1, 1809,	Lynn,	Cordwainer,	1848
"	George Hood,	Nov. 10, 1806,	Lynn,	Merchant,	1839
"	Nathaniel Holder,	Jan. 19, 1811,	Marblehead,	Merchant,	
Lynnfield,	James Hewes,	Nov. 13, 1821,	Lynnfield,	Farmer,	
Manchester,	Richard H. Dana, Jr. (of Cambridge,)	Aug. 7, 1815,	Cambridge,	Lawyer,	
Marblehead,	Jefferson Knight,	Jan. 31, 1817,	Marblehead,	Shoe Manuf.	1846
"	Benjamin S. Orne,	Nov. 30, 1814,	Marblehead,	Shoe Manuf.	
Methuen,	John Davis,	Dec. 15, 1800,	Methuen,	Manufacturer,	
Middleton,	Daniel Richardson,	Aug. 17, 1792,	Middleton,	Farmer,	
Newbury,	Daniel Noyes,	Feb. 8, 1793,	Newbury,	Farmer,	1837
Newburyport,	Henry W. Kinsman,	Mar. 1, 1803,	Portland, Me.	Lawyer,	1833
"	Joseph B. Morss,	Sept. 22, 1808,	Newburyport,	Editor,	1838
Rockport,	Thomas E. Payson,	June 24, 1813,	Rowley,	Farmer,	1850
Rowley,	Asahel Huntington,	July 23, 1798,	Topsfield,	Lawyer,	1827
Salem,	Otis P. Lord,	July 11, 1812,	Ipswich,	Lawyer,	1847
"	George Peabody,	Jan. 12, 1804,	Salem,	Merchant,	1836
"	Jonathan C. Perkins,	Nov. 21, 1809,	Essex,	Lawyer,	1845
"	Charles W. Upham,	May 4, 1802,	St Johns,	Clergyman,	1849
"	Samuel B. Walcott,	Mar. 7, 1795,	Bolton,	Lawyer,	1832
Salisbury,	William Carruthers,	Feb. 4, 1804,	Scotland,	Merchant,	
Saugus,	Stephen E. Hawkes,	May 25, 1815,	Saugus,	Farmer,	1842
Swampscot,					
Topsfield,	Benjamin P. Adams,	Sept. 5, 1806,	Rowley,	Merchant,	
Wenham,	John A. Putnam,	Feb. 21, 1821,	Danvers,	Merchant,	
W. Newbury,					
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.					
Acton,	Ebenezer Davis,	Aug. 13, 1811,	Acton,	Farmer,	
Ashby,	Martin Howard,	June 4, 1810,	Hingham,	Ropemaker,	
Ashland,	Simeon N. Cutler,	Sept. 28, 1799,	Holliston,	Farmer,	
Bedford,	John W. Simonds,	Jan. 14, 1808,	Bedford,	Shoemaker,	1844
Billerica,	Thomas Talbot,	Sept. 7, 1818,	Cambridge, N. Y.	Merchant,	1852
Boxborough,	William Stevens,	May 17, 1782,	Boxborough,	Farmer,	
Brighton,	Charles Heard,	Feb. 26, 1794,	Wayland,	Merchant,	1837
Burlington,	William Nichols,	Oct. 5, 1790,	Boston,	Farmer,	1842
Cambridge,	Simon Greenleaf,	Dec. 5, 1783,	Newburyport,	Proff'r at Law,	
"	John S. Ladd,	July 2, 1810,	Lee, N. H.	Lawyer,	1847

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Cambridge,	Isaac Livermore,	Nov. 21, 1797,	Waltham,	Merchant,	1836
"	Juel Parker,	Jan. 25, 1795,	Jaffrey, N. H.	Profr at Law,	
"	John Sargent,	June 21, 1799,	Hillsboro', N. H.	Merchant,	1844
Carlisle,	John Jacobs,	May 7, 1796,	Carlisle,	Farmer,	1851
Charlestown,	Rich. Fruthtingham, Jr.	Jan. 31, 1812,	Charlestown,	Editor,	1840
"	Charles Thompson,	July 9, 1798,	Charlestown,	Merchant,	1837
Chelmsford,	Samuel P. Hadley,	Aug. 4, 1794,	Hudson, N. H.	Farmer,	
Concord,	F. R. Gourgas,	Aug. 22, 1811,	Dorchester,	Farmer,	1840
Dracut,	Alpheus R. Brown,	Nov. 3, 1814,	Hopkinton, N. H.	Lawyer,	1852
Dunstable,	Isaac Kendall,	Sept. 22, 1804,	Dunstable,	Farmer,	
Framingham,	Charles R. Train,	Oct. 18, 1817,	Framingham,	Lawyer,	1847
Groton,	John G. Parks,	Aug. 31, 1801,	Pelham,	Merchant,	1837
Holliston,	Alden Leland,	Nov. 30, 1807,	Andover, Vt.	Boot Manuf.	1838
Hopkinton,	Eliakim A. Bates,	June 30, 1817,	Bellingham,	Merchant,	
Lexington,	Joel Viles,	Oct. 21, 1793,	Lexington,	Farmer,	
Lincoln,	William F. Wheeler,	Mar. 11, 1812,	Lincoln,	Farmer,	1853
Littleton,	Amasa Sanderson,	Apr. 16, 1796,	Gardner,	Clergyman,	1852
Lowell,	Josiah G. Abbott,	Nov. 1, 1815,	Chelmsford,	Lawyer,	1837
"	Shubael P. Adams,	Feb. 5, 1817,	Medfield,	Lawyer,	1845
"	Benjamin F. Butler,	Nov. 5, 1818,	Deerfield, N. H.	Lawyer,	1853
"	James K. Fellows,	Aug. 5, 1809,	Hopkinton, N. H.	Jeweller,	1837
"	John W. Graves,	Jan. 7, 1810,	Deerfield, N. H.	Physician,	1850
"	James M. Moore,	Mar. 19, 1809,	Shetford, Vt.	Manufacturer,	
"	Andrew T. Nute,	Oct. 1, 1805,	Milton, N. H.	Mechanic,	
"	Peter Powers,	Apr. 25, 1807,	Temple, N. H.	Builder,	
"	Abraham Tilton,	Jan. 31, 1792,	Stratham, N. H.	Blacksmith,	
Malden,	Daniel A. Perkins,	Feb. 22, 1795,	Malden,	Farmer,	1838
Marlborough,	Isaac Hayden,	Sept. 30, 1789,	Quincy,	Housewright,	1837
Medford,	William Haskins,	Mar. 18, 1805,	Scituate,	Merchant,	
Middleboro,	Daniel W. Gooch,	Jan. 8, 1820,	Wells, Me.	Lawyer,	1852
Natick,	Henry Wilson,	Feb. 16, 1812,	Farmington, N. H.	Editor,	1841
Newton,	Ebenezer Bradbury,	July 31, 1793,	Newburyport,	Machinist,	1828
"	Andrew H. Ward,	May 25, 1784,	Shrewsbury,	Lawyer,	
Pepperell,	Luther Lawrence,	Nov. 7, 1801,	Pepperell,	Farmer,	1845
Reading,	Tristram Littlefield,	July 1, 1813,	Wells, Me.	Mechanic,	
Sherborn,	Dalton Goulding,	Oct. 19, 1790,	Sherborn,	Farmer,	
Shirley,					
Somerville,	Luther V. Bell,	Dec. 20, 1806,	Francestown, N. H.	Physician,	1850
S. Reading,	Lilley Eaton,	Jan. 13, 1802,	Reading,	Merchant,	1831
Stoneham,	Silas Dean,	Nov. 7, 1815,	Reading,	Shoe Manuf'r,	
Stow,	Elbridge Gates,	Feb. 6, 1804,	Stow,	Farmer,	1852
Sudbury,	Moses C. Hurlbut,	July 4, 1808,	Southampton,	Farmer,	
Tewksbury,	Jacob Coggin,	Sept. 5, 1782,	Woburn,	Clergyman,	1848
Townsend,	Stillman Clark,	Sept. 23, 1806,	Cavendish, Vt.	Clergyman,	
Tyngsboro',	Zephaniah Bennett,	June 15, 1806,	Groton,	Farmer,	1848
Waltham,	Nath'l P. Banks, Jr.	Jan. 30, 1816,	Waltham,	Lawyer,	1849
Watertown,					
Wayland,					
W. Cambridge					
Westford,	Ezekiel Wright,	May 26, 1798,	Westford,	Farmer,	1844
Weston,	Edwin Hobbs,	Apr. 11, 1811,	Weston,	Farmer,	1844
Wilmington,	John M. Durgin,	Feb. 11, 1813,	Thornton, N. H.	Clergyman,	1845
Winchester,	F. O. Prince,	Jan. 18, 1818,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1851
Woburn,	Jonathan P. Winn,	Aug. 24, 1811,	Burlington,	Merchant,	
WORCESTER COUNTY.					
Ashburnham,	Simeon Merritt,	Mar. 21, 1823,	Gardner,	Mechanic,	
Athol,	Lyman W. Ilapgood,	Nov. 27, 1812,	Barre,	Mechanic,	
Auburn,	Marcus Barrett,	Dec. 23, 1814,	Thompson, Ct.	Farmer,	
Barre,	P. Emory Aldrich,		New Salem,	Lawyer,	
Berlin,	George S. Boutwell,	Jan. 28, 1818,	Brookline,	Merchant,	1842
	(of Groton,)				
Blackstone,	Willard Wilson,	Jan. 11, 1791,	Mendon,	Millwright,	1842
Bolton,	Charles Newman,	Mar. 31, 1800,	Boston,	Farmer,	



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Boylston,	Daniel S. Whitney,	Feb. 4, 1810,	Danvers,	Shoe Manuf.	
Brookfield,	William B. Greene,	Apr. 4, 1819,	Haverhill,	Farm. & Clerk,	
Charlton,	William P. Marble,	Nov. 15, 1799,	Charlton,	Farmer,	1836
Clinton,	Charles G. Stevens,	Sept. 16, 1821,	Claremont, N.H.	Att'y at Law,	
Dana,	Sam'l H. Richardson,	Dec. 16, 1811,	Dana,	Farmer,	
Douglas,	Adolphus F. Brown,	Feb. 1, 1819,	Douglas,	Farmer,	
Dudley,	Charles C. Wood,	Jan. 14, 1810,	Grafton,	Farmer,	
Fitchburg,	Charles Mason,	June 3, 1810,	Dublin, N. H.	Lawyer,	1849
"	Nathaniel Wood,	Aug. 29, 1799,	Holden,	Lawyer,	1840
Gardner,	Levi Haywood,	Dec. 10, 1800,	Gardner,	Chair Manuf.	
Grafton,	Edward B. Bigelow,	July 21, 1807,	Northborough,	Manufacturer,	1850
Hardwick,					
Harvard,	Washington Gilbert,	Mar. 18, 1800,	Atkinson, N. H.	Clergyman,	
Holden,	Charles L. Knowlton,	Feb. 15, 1809,	Bridgeport, Vt.	Merchant,	1853
Hubbardston,	William Bennett, Jr.,	Mar. 4, 1809,	Hubbardston,	Merchant,	1846
Lancaster,	Joel Wilder,	July 16, 1797,	Westminster,	Merchant,	1846
Leicester,	Hiram Knight,	Aug. 2, 1793,	Oakham,	Card Manuf.	
Leominster,	Joel C. Allen,	Sept. 2, 1817,	Leominster,	Merchant,	1852
Lunenburg,	Sewell Boutwell,	July 5, 1784,	Wilmington,	Farmer,	1843
Mendon,	Arnold Taft,	May 22, 1794,	Mendon,	Farmer,	
Millford,	Orison Underwood,	Mar. 19, 1835,	Barre,	Boot Manuf.	
Millbury,	Asa H. Waters,	Feb. 8, 1812,	Millbury,	Manufacturer,	1849
New Braintree,	Samuel Mixter,	Oct. 15, 1785,	New Braintree,	Farmer,	1818
Northbridge,	Silas Rawson,	Mar. 24, 1802,	Uxbridge,	Farmer,	1840
Northboro',	Anson Burlingame, (of Cambridge,)	Nov. 14, 1822,	N. Berlin, N. Y.	Lawyer,	1852
N. Brookfield,	Amasa Walker,	May 4, 1799,	Woodstock, Vt.	Merchant,	1849
Oakham,	David S. Ross,	Oct. 3, 1808,	Brookfield,	Farmer,	
Oxford,	Alexander DeWitt,	April 2, 1797,	New Braintree,	Manufacturer,	1830
Paxton,	John Partridge,	June 1, 1797,	Paxton,	Boot Manuf.	
Petersham,	Seth Hapgood,	June 10, 1805,	Petersham,	Farmer,	1837
Phillipston,	Jason Goulding,	Oct. 26, 1801,	Paxton,	Farmer,	1834
Princeton,	Otis Wood,	Sept. 1, 1813,	West Boylston,	Farmer,	
Royalston,	Rufus Bullock,*	Sept. 23, 1779,	Royalston,	Manufact' er,	1820
Rutland,	James L. Munroe,	June 7, 1818,	Rutland,	Piano Manuf.	
Shrewsbury,	William H. Knowlton,	Mar. 8, 1817,	Shrewsbury,	Housewright,	
Southboro',	Sullivan Fay,	Mar. 12, 1799,	Southboro',	Merchant,	1838
Southbridge,	George A. Vinton,	Sept. 11, 1816,	Southbridge,	Merchant,	
Spencer,	Jabez Greene,	July 31, 1802,	Leicester,	Boot Manuf.	1843
Sterling,	Samuel Houghton,	Nov. 19, 1796,	Sterling,	Farmer,	1845
Sturbridge,	Benjamin D. Hyde,	Feb. 8, 1803,	Sturbridge,	Lawyer,	1838
Sutton,	Sumner Cole,	Feb. 12, 1799,	Sutton,	Farmer,	1834
Templeton,	Gilman Day,	Apr. 1, 1802,	Winchendon,	Farmer,	1846
Upton,	George S. Ball,	May 22, 1823,	Leominster,	Clergyman,	
Uxbridge,	Joseph Thayer,	Feb. 9, 1792,	Douglas,	Farmer,	1824
Warren,	Nathan Richardson,	Oct. 21, 1806,	Brookfield,	Farmer,	
Webster,	Daniel E. Chapin,	July 12, 1814,	Wilbraham,	Clergyman,	
Westboro',	Josiah Childs,	Feb. 13, 1812,	Cambridge,	Carpenter,	
W. Boylston,	Joseph W. Cross,	June 16, 1808,	E. Bridgewater,	Clergyman,	
W. Brookfield,	Hammond Brown,	Mar. 27, 1810,	Leicester,	Boot Manuf.	
Westminster,	Charles G. Giles,	May 30, 1818,	New Salem,	Station Agent,	
Winchendon,	Abijah P. Marvin,	Feb. 1, 1813,	Lyme, Ct.	Clergyman,	
Worcester,	Charles Allen,	Aug. 9, 1797,	Worcester,	Lawyer,	1829
"	Henry Chapin,	May 13, 1811,	Upton,	Lawyer,	1845
"	Isaac Davis,	June 2, 1799,	Northboro',	Lawyer,	1843
"	John M. Earle,	Apr. 13, 1794,	Leicester,	Editor,	1845
"	J. S. C. Knowlton,	Dec. 11, 1801,	Hopkinton, NH.	Editor,	1829
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.					
Amherst,	Ithamer Conkey,	May 7, 1788,	Pelham,	Lawyer,	
Belchertown,	Joseph M. Rockwood,	July 1, 1818,	Bellingham,	Clergyman,	
Chesterfield,	Patrick Bryant,	Feb. 2, 1806,	Chesterfield,	Farmer,	
Cummington,	Nathan Orcutt,	Nov. 25, 1788,	Cummington,	Farmer,	1836
Easthampton,	Alfred L. Strong,	Jan. 20, 1804,	Guildhall, Vt.	Farmer,	

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Enfield,	Josiah B. Wood,	Nov. 18, 1796,	Greenwich,	Manufacturer,	1846
Goshen,	Benjamin White,	Aug. 17, 1787,	Goshen,	Farmer,	1838
Granby,	Samuel Ayers,	July 18, 1780,	Granby,	Farmer,	1831
Greenwich,	Laban Marcy,*	Mar. 7, 1780,	Woodstock, Ct.	Lawyer,	1817
Hadley,	Giles C. Kellogg,	Aug. 12, 1781,	Hadley,	Farmer,	1809
Hatfield,	William C. Bliss,	Mar. 16, 1811,	Hatfield,	Farmer,	
Middlefield,	Matthew Smith,	Aug. 26, 1787,	Middlefield,	Farmer,	1832
Northampton	Amos H. Bullen,	Feb. 6, 1809,	Medway,	Postmaster,	1853
"	Chas. P. Huntington,	May 24, 1802,	Litchfield, Ct.	Lawyer,	1834
Norwich,	Elkanah Ring, Jr.	Oct. 9, 1839,	Chesterfield,	Manufacturer,	
Pelham,	Calvin D. Eaton,	Feb. 20, 1814,	Pelham,	Merchant,	1844
Plainfield,	Wanton C. Gilbert,	May 7, 1818,	Cummington,	Merchant,	1852
Prescott,	Samuel Henry,	Feb. 23, 1788,	Amherst,	Farmer,	1829
So. Hadley,	David Turner,	Oct. 9, 1796,	Northampton,	Tailor,	
Southampton	Elisha Edwards,	Apr. 22, 1793,	Southampton,	Farmer,	1829
Ware,	Joseph Cummings,	Mar. 5, 1784,	Ware,	Farmer,	1816
Westhampt'n	Samuel Edwards,	Feb. 18, 1787,	Westhampton,	Farmer,	1829
Williamsburg	Hiram Nash,	Feb. 13, 1839,	Williamsburg.	Farmer,	1849
Worthington,	Russel Bartlett,	Aug. 1, 1806,	Worthington,	Farmer,	
HAMPDEN COUNTY.					
Blandford,	Albert Knox,	Mar. 17, 1838,	Blandford,	Farmer,	1850
Brimfield,	Parsons Allen,	Feb. 16, 1832,	Brimfield,	Farmer,	
Chester,	J. B. Williams,	Jan. 5, 1890,	Worthington,	Merchant,	
Chicopee,	Charles Sherman,	Oct. 29, 1813,	Palmer,	Mason,	
"	Adolphus G. Parker,	June 23, 1891,	N. Brookfield,	Manufacturer,	
"	Timothy W. Carter,	July 2, 1839,	Brimfield,	Manufacturer,	1847
Granville,	Alpheus Bancroft,	Jan. 1, 1792,	Granville,	Farmer,	1836
Holland,	Freeland Wallis,	Dec. 5, 1785,	Holland,	Farmer,	
Holyoke,	Alpheus B. Clarke,	May 11, 1814,	New Haven, Ct.	Physician,	
Longmeadow,	Gad O. Bliss,	Mar. 1, 1837,	Longmeadow,	Farmer,	1840
Ludlow,	Chester Sikes,	Nov. 11, 1780,	Ludlow,	Farmer,	
Monson,	Henry Cady,	Oct. 12, 1891,	Monson,	Physician,	
Montgomery,	Ransom Clark,	Jan. 20, 1804,	Montgomery,	Farmer,	1836
Palmer,	Frederic T. Wallace,	Mar. 19, 1820,	Duxbury, Vt.	Lawyer,	1848
Russell,	Justin E. Loomis,	Nov. 10, 1816,	Westfield,	Farmer,	
Southwick,	Gideon Stiles,	Apr. 28, 1782,	Southwick,	Farmer,	1818
Springfield,	Erasmus D. Beach,	July 25, 1839,	Sandisfield,	Lawyer,	1851
"	Chester W. Chapin,	Dec. 16, 1798,	Ludlow,	Manufacturer,	
Tolland,	Hiram C. Brown,	Mar. 21, 1819,	Winstead, Ct.	Mechanic,	
Wales,	James C. Royce,	June 27, 1837,	Mansfield, Ct.	Merchant,	1840
Westfield,	Joseph M. Ely,	Nov. 27, 1836,	Westfield,	Whip Manuf.	
W. Springfield	Horace Ely,	May 23, 1793,	W. Springfield,	Tanner,	
Wilbraham,	Benjamin F. Hallett, (of Boston,)	Dec. 2, 1797,	Barnstable,	Lawyer,	1843
FRANKLIN COUNTY.					
Ashfield,	Chester Sanderson,	Mar. 30, 1789,	Whately,	Farmer,	1832
Bernardston,	Henry W. Cushman,	Aug. 9, 1835,	Bernardston,	Farmer,	1837
Buckland,	Josiah W. Griswold,	Jan. 31, 1823,	Buckland,	Farmer,	
Charlemont,	Aaron Foster,	Mar. 19, 1794,	Hillsboro', N. H.	Clergyman,	
Coleraine,	Hiram S. Denison,	Feb. 27, 1821,	Coleraine,	Farmer,	
Conway,	James S. Whitney,	May 19, 1811,	Deerfield,	Manufacturer,	1851
Deerfield,	Henry K. Hoyt,	Jan. 7, 1810,	Deerfield,	Farmer,	
Erving,	Whiting Griswold, (of Greenfield,)	Nov. 12, 1814,	Buckland,	Lawyer,	1848
Gill,	Alvah Ballard,	Nov. 22, 1786,	Gill,	Mechanic,	
Greenfield,	Amariah Chandler,	Oct. 27, 1782,	Deerfield,	Clergyman,	
Hawley,	Simeon Crittenden,	May 7, 1796,	Hawley,	Farmer,	
Heath,	Luther Gale,	Mar. 30, 1779,	Petersham,	Farmer,	1817
Leverett,	David Rice,	July 23, 1819,	Rowe,	Physician,	
Leyden,	E. Wing Packer,	Jan. 5, 1811,	Newark, Vt.	Farmer,	1851
Munroe,	Charles Phelps,	Oct. 19, 1898,	Halifax, Vt.	Farmer,	
Montague,	D. W. Alvord, (of Greenfield,)	Oct. 21, 1816,	Greenfield,	Lawyer,	





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Quincy,	George White,	Nov. 9, 1821,	Quincy,	Lawyer,	
Randolph,	Bradford L. Wales,	May 1, 1804,	Randolph,	Physician,	1840
Roxbury,	Benj. F. Copeland,	Nov. 25, 1798,	Boston,	Merchant,	1844
"	Sam. Jackson,	Jan. 15, 1813,	Roxbury,	Manufacturer,	1843
"	John A. Lowell,	Nov. 7, 1798,	Boston,	Merchant,	
"	George Putnam,	Aug. 16, 1817,	Sterling,	Clergyman,	
"	John S. Sleeper,	Sept. 21, 1794,	Tyngsboro',	Editor,	1849
"	Sam. Walker,	Sept. 9, 1793,	Cardington, Eng.	Publisher,	
Sharon,	Charles A. French,	May 24, 1811,	Stoughton,	Boot Maker,	1846
Stoughton,	Francis W. Bird,	Oct. 22, 1819,	Dedham,	Manufacturer,	1847
Walpole,	John W. Thomas,	Apr. 1, 1815,	Weymouth,	Boot Manufr,	1852
Weymouth,	Charles E. Hunt,	Dec. 31, 1817,	Weymouth,	Boot Manufr,	
W. Roxbury,					
Wrentham,	Samuel Warner, Jr.,	Oct. 2, 1816,	Providence, R.I.	Lawyer,	1843
BRISTOL COUNTY.					
Attleboro',	Abijah M. Ide, Jr.,	Feb. 2, 1825,	Attleboro',	Editor & Far.	
Berkley,	Samuel French,	Feb. 23, 1777,	Berkley,	Farmer,	1825
Dartmouth,	James B. Allen,	Aug. 15, 1808,	New York,	Farmer,	
Dighton,	Leonard Gooding,	Dec. 16, 1892,	Dighton,	Farmer,	
Easton,	Luther Sheldon,	Feb. 18, 1785,	Rupert, Vt.	Clergyman,	
Fairhaven,	Elbridge G. Morton,	Mar. 8, 1898,	Freetown,	Shipwright,	1840
Fall River,	Asa Bronson,	June 6, 1798,	New York,	Clergyman,	
"	Robert T. Davis,	Aug. 28, 1823,	Ireland,	Physician,	
"	Foster Hooper,	Apr. 2, 1805,	Walpole, N. H.	Physician,	1831
"	Job G. Lawton, Jr.,	Mar. 18, 1823,	Freetown,	Lawyer,	
Freetown,	Elnath. P. Hathaway,	Nov. 12, 1797,	Freetown,	Lawyer,	1825
Mansfield,	John Rogers,	Nov. 2, 1806,	Mansfield,	Manufacturer,	
N. Bedford,	Joseph Brownell,	Jan. 19, 1795,	Portsmouth, R.I.	Blacksmith,	
"	Isaac Case,	Jan. 19, 1793,	Westport,	Mechanic,	1833
"	Rodney French,	May 2, 1802,	Berkley,	Merchant,	
"	Abraham H. Howland	Mar. 1, 1802,	New Bedford,	Merchant,	1844
"	Isaac C. Faber,	Feb. 18, 1815,	New Bedford,	Merchant,	1839
Norton,	George B. Crane,	Nov. 10, 1811,	Norton,	Farmer,	
Pawtucket,	William Tyler,	Jan. 7, 1789,	Attleboro',	Clergyman,	
Raynham,	Abishai Lincoln,	Feb. 27, 1800,	Raynham,	Merchant,	1843
Rehoboth,	Granville Stevens,	Oct. 21, 1797,	Raynham,	Merchant,	1845
Seekonk,	Johnson Gardner,	Nov. 22, 1790,	Rehoboth,	Physician,	1842
Somerset,	Daniel Wilbur,	Nov. 14, 1818,	Somerset,	Farmer,	1840
Swansey,	George Austin,	Mar. 29, 1793,	Lynn,	Shoe Manufr,	1835
Taunton,	Marcus Morton,	Feb. 19, 1784,	Freetown,	Lawyer,	
"	Joseph Wilbur,	Dec. 13, 1792,	Easton,	Reg. of Deeds,	
"	Henry Williams,	Nov. 1894,	Taunton,	Lawyer,	1834
Westport,	Frederick Brownell,	Feb. 14, 1783,	Westport,	Farmer,	1851
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.					
Abington,	Edward L. Keyes,	Aug. 13, 1812,	Brimfield,	Editor,	1847
"	(of Dedham,)				
Bridgewater,	James M. Pool,	Nov. 12, 1820,	Abington,	Boot Manufr,	
Carver,	Artemas Hale,	Oct. 29, 1783,	Winchendon.	Farmer,	1824
Duxbury,	Joseph Barrows,	Nov. 8, 1792,	Carver,	Farmer,	1839
E. Bridgew'r,	Gershom B. Weston,	Aug. 27, 1799,	Duxbury,	Merchant,	1828
Halifax,	Aaron Hobart,	June 26, 1787,	Abington,	Lawyer,	1814
Hanover,	Jona. Parris,	May 30, 1803,	Halifax,	Farmer,	
Hanson,	Perez Simmons,	Jan. 2, 1812,	Hanover,	Lawyer,	1852
Hingham,	Melzar Sprague,	Mar. 9, 1795,	Marshfield,	Machinist,	1833
Hull,	Henry Hersey,	Aug. 16, 1796,	Hingham,	Farmer,	
Kingston,	Robert Gould,	Oct. 8, 1795,	Hingham,	Clergyman,	1837
Marshfield,	Thomas Cushman,	May 15, 1781,	Kingston,	Blacksmith,	
	Charles Sumner,	Jan. 6, 1811,	Boston,	Lawyer,	
	(of Boston,)				
Middleboro',	Noah C. Perkins,	May 28, 1810,	Middleborough,	Merchant,	
"	Wm. H. Wood,	Oct. 24, 1811,	Middleborough,	Lawyer,	1848

Residence.	Names.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First yr. in Leg.
N. Bridgewater, Pembroke, Plymouth, " " Plympton, Rochester, Scituate, S. Scituate, Wareham, W. Bridgewater,	Jesse Perkins, Otis Little, Moses Bates, Jr., Charles G. Davis, Cephas C. Bumpus, A. B. Hammond, John Beal, William James, Seth Miller, Jr., Joseph Kingman,	Jan. 13, 1791, May 31, 1899, Sept. 15, 1815, May 30, 1821, July 9, 1811, Aug. 3, 1789, Mar. 16, 1792, Mar. 1, 1789, Jan. 10, 1801, Mar. 14, 1799,	N. Bridgewater, Pembroke, E. Bridgewater, Plymouth, Plympton, Rochester, Abington, Scituate, Middleborough, W. Bridgewater,	Farmer, Mason, Editor, Lawyer, Mechanic, Farmer, Farmer, Farmer, Lawyer, Farmer,	1831    1853 1831 1838 1836  1851
BARNSTABLE COUNTY					
Barnstable, Brewster, Chatham,	Benjamin Paine, Silvanus B. Phinney, (of Barnstable,) Seth Crowell, David C. Atwood, John Jenkins, Cyrus Weeks, Leander Crosby, Henry Paine, William Stutson, Solomon Davis, William Cleverly, Nathaniel Cogswell,	Jan. 12, 1795, Oct. 27, 1808,  Oct. 17, 1792, Aug. 20, 1787, Mar. 18, 1793, Aug. 3, 1800, Sept. 22, 1816, July 3, 1794,	Brewster, Barnstable,  Dennis, Eastham, Falmouth, Harwich, Orleans, Truro, Wellfleet, Atkins, N. H.	Farmer, Printer,  Mast. Mariner, Farmer, Merchant, Mast. Mariner, Merchant, Mast. Mariner, Mechanic, Farmer, Clergyman,	1842   1835 1836 1848 1839 1850 1853  1837 1852
DUKES COUNTY.					
Chilmark, Edgarton, Tisbury,	Horatio W. Tilton, Jeremiah Pease, Jr., Alfred Norton,	July 21, 1822, Apr. 14, 1822, Nov. 16, 1797,	Chilmark, Edgartown, Tisbury,	Mast. Mariner, Housewright, Farmer,	1843
NANTUCKET COUNTY.					
Nantucket, " " " "	James Easton, 2d., Reuben Meader, Alanson Swain,	Feb. 27, 1807, Nov. 22, 1794, Sept. 1, 1818,	Providence, R. I. Nantucket, Nantucket,	Jeweller, Merchant, Manufacturer,	1850

## OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

Residence.	Names.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Office.
Lowell, Adams, Cambridgep't, Boston, " " " " " " " " Dorchester, Boston, " " " " " "	William S. Robinson, James T. Robinson, Warren Burton, Benjamin Stevens, Alexis Poole, David Murphy, William M. Wise, John A. Sargent, William Sayward, James N. Tolman, Jr. Thaddeus Page, Joseph P. Dexter, Jr. Charles A. Murphy,	Dec. 7, 1818, Sept. 6, 1822, Nov. 23, 1830, April 16, 1790, Aug. 3, 1836, Feb. 10, 1798, Dec. 1, 1811, May 6, 1818, Feb. 12, 1815, Sept. 13, 1837, Jan. 28, 1840, Nov. 3, 1835, Oct. 10, 1834,	Concord, Adams, Milton, N. H. Boston, Charlestown, Charlest'n, N. H. Newburyport, Salem, N. H. Gloucester, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston,	Secretary. Secretary Chaplain Messenger Doorkeeper. As. Doorkeeper. As. " As. " Postmaster. Page. As. Page. Page in E. G. Page in W. G.

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Residence.	Names.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Reporters.	Location.
New York,	Harvey Fowler,	1813	Canada,	Superintendent	Of the Nat. Int. Corps.
Boston,	S. P. Hanscom,	Sept. 30th, 1822	Elliot, Me.	Rept'r of Bus's	Late Legislative and local Reporter of the Boston Post.
Wash. D. C.	W. G. Parkhurst,	April 18th, 1821	Plainfield, NH.	" " De'ts.	Of the Wash. Union Cor., &c.
" "	Francis H. Smith,	March 11th, 1829	Washing'tn Ct.	" " "	" " " " " "
" "	Theo. F. Andrews,	May 9th, 1819	Syracuse, N.Y.	" " "	" " " " " "
" "	Charles B. Collar,	August 12th, 1823	Wyoming, NH.	" " "	" " " " " "
" "	H. E. Rockwell,	March 25th, 1811	Colebrook, N.Y.	" " "	" " " " " "

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WHOLE NUMBER, 419.

Farmers,.....128  
 Lawyers,.....73  
 Merchants and Traders,.....65  
 Boot and Shoe Manufacturers,.....18  
 Manufacturers,.....24  
 Clergymen,.....24  
 Physicians,.....18  
 Printers and Editors,.....14  
 Mechanics,.....11  
 Builders and Housewrights,.....8  
 Master Mariners,.....4

Masons, Machinists, Blacksmiths,  
 Druggists, 3 each,.....12  
 Jewellers, Tanners, Professors at  
 Law, 2 each,.....6  
 Banker, Insurance Broker, Regis-  
 ter of Deeds, Millwright, Notary  
 Public, Civil Engineer, Mathemat-

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ical Instrument Maker, Card Man-  
 ufacturer, Chair Manufacturer,  
 Painter, Postmaster, Station  
 Agent, Shipwright, Ropemaker,  
 Whip Manufacturer, Tailor, 1 each, 16

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Members Born in Massachusetts,.....336  
 " " " New Hampshire,.....31  
 " " " Connecticut,.....14  
 " " " Vermont,.....11  
 " " " Maine,.....8  
 " " " New York,.....8  
 " " " Rhode Island,.....3  
 " " " Dist. of Columbia,.....1  
 " " " England,.....2  
 " " " Scotland,.....2  
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